Himalayan River Development Component and Peninsular River Development Component. The National Water Development Agency is engaed in the task of preparing water balance and feasibility studies in this regard.

Evaluation of Performance of Non Government Colleges

1215. SHRI MOOLCHAND MEENA:
SHRI SANJAY DALMIA:
MAULANA OBAIDULLAH KHAN AZMI:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether University Grants Commission has requistioned the services of Educational Consultants India Limited for evaluation of performance of Non Government Colleges;

(b) if so, the main findings thereof; and

(c) the follow-up action proposed by Government in this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPTT. OF EDUCATION & DEPTT. OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA): (a) to (c) According to the information furnished by the UGC, the Commission has engaged the services of Educational Consultant India Ltd. (Ed. CIL) to evaluate the utilisation of grants paid to the private/non-Government Colleges under the College Development Schemes of the UGC during the 7th Plan period. The report of the Ed. CIL is still awaited.

Promotion of Fishery

1216. SHRI SARADA MOHANTY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether steps have been taken by Government to promote fishery throughout the country;

(b) whether schemes have been prepared in the 8th Five Year Plan for every State and Union Territory; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI S KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The following major Central Sector/Centrally Sponsored Schemes are being implemented during the Eighth Five Year Plan period for development of Marine and Inland Fisheries in the country:

(1) Fishery harbour facilities at Major Ports

(2) Provision of fishing harbour facilities at Minor Ports

(3) Freshwater Aquaculture

(4) Integrated Brackishwater Fish Farms Development

(5) Development of Coastal Marine Fisheries

  (a) Motorisation of Traditional Craft

  (b) Information of Plywood Craft

  (c) Introduction of Intermediate type of Craft for Offshore Pelagic Fishing

  (d) Re-imbursement of Central Excise Duty on High Speed Diesel (HSD) Oil used by fishing vessels below 20 m. length.

(6) Welfare of Fishermen

  (a) Group Accident Insurance

  (b) Model Fishermen Villages

  (c) Savings-cum-Relief

(7) Assistance for Strengthening of Inland Fish Marketing

(8) Enforcement of Marine Fishing Regulation Act (MFRA) and setting up of Artificial Reefs and Seafarming Project

(9) Training and fishery Extension.

The Central Sector/Centrally Sponsored Schemes are available for all States/Union Territories for implementation depending on the availability of marine/inland resources. Moreover, fisheries being a State subject it is for the State to prepare other suitable schemes taking into account their own requirements.

Ad hoc subsidy to DAP

1217. SHRI SUNDER SINGH BHANDARI: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state: